

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the response filed 04/23/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 49-54, 56, 58, 60-62, 64, 66, 68, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96 and 100-105.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 02-09-2005
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 20070822.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Douglas Hanscom (reg. no. 26,600) on August 22, 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In line 10 of page 2, the term "WO 02/43982 A2" was deleted and replaced with -WO 02/43962 A2--.

In line 17 of page 2 of the substitute specification filed February 9, 2005, the term "whichsupports]" was deleted and replaced with --, which supports--.

In line 15 of page 5 of the substitute specification filed February 9, 2005, the term "device]" was deleted and replaced with --device--.

In line 2 of page 7 of the substitute specification filed February 9, 2005, the term "as]" was deleted and replaced with --as--.

In line 11 of page 11 of the substitute specification filed February 9, 2005, the term "10" was deleted and replaced with --19--.

In line 12 of page 11 of the substitute specification filed February 9, 2005, the term “section” (second occurrence) was deleted and replaced with --sections--.

In line 9 of page 13 of the substitute specification filed February 9, 2005, the term “39” was deleted and replaced with --29--.

The above specification changes were made to clear up various minor typographical and grammatical errors.

IN THE CLAIMS:

In claim 49, line 1, the term “of” was deleted and replaced with --for--.

In claim 49, line 11, after “member”, the following text was inserted: --; said bow having a first bow leg on a first bow end and a second bow leg on a second bow end, said first bow leg being movably supported in said holding member second end--

In claim 53, line 1, the term “49” was deleted and replaced with --50--.

In claim 61, lines 1-2, the phrase “wherein another of said support points is” was deleted and replaced with --further comprising another additional supporting point--.

In claim 62, lines 1-2, the phrase “of said support points” was deleted and replaced with --additional supporting point--.

Claim 70 has been canceled.

In claim 72, line 1, the term “70” was deleted and replaced with --49--.

In claim 74, line 1, the term “70” was deleted and replaced with --49--.

In claim 102, line 2, the term “opening” was deleted and replaced with --channel-

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The above change to the claims were made to better define the dimensionally stable bow and thereby distinguish from the prior art teachings and to correct other minor formalities such as typographical errors and antecedent basis problems.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to claim 49 in particular, the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggest a device for holding at least one dressing on a cylinder comprising all of the structure as recited, in combination with and particularly including, a dimensionally stable bow in the channel and connected to the holding member, the bow having a first bow leg on a first bow end and a second bow leg on a second bow end, the first bow leg being movably supported in the holding member second end.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Leslie J. Evanisko** whose telephone number is **(571) 272-2161**. The examiner can normally be reached on T-F 8:00 am-6:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-2258. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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